

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

## **ORDER for ATTORNEY'S FEES**

## **PROUD, Magistrate Judge:**

Before the Court is the Stipulation for Attorney Fees Pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act. (**Doc. 27**).

The parties have agreed that plaintiff is entitled to an award in the amount of \$5,600 for attorney's fees and expenses.

The Court finds that plaintiff is the prevailing party and is entitled to an award of attorney's fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §2412(d)(1)(B). The Court further finds that the agreed upon amount is reasonable and appropriate.

Defendant's stipulation (**Doc. 27**) is **GRANTED**. The Court awards plaintiff Debra Seka the sum of **\$5,600** for attorney's fees and expenses pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act. These funds shall be payable to plaintiff, per *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521 (2010). However, in accordance with the parties' agreement, any part of the award that is not subject to set-off to pay plaintiff's pre-existing debt to the United States shall be made payable to plaintiff's attorney pursuant to the EAJA assignment previously executed by

plaintiff and her attorney.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**DATE: July 25, 2016.**

**s/ Clifford J. Proud  
CLIFFORD J. PROUD  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**